

Sinclair Broadcast Group's misguided and dishonest decision has illustrated the dangers caused by media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, we get more of what's good for these media conglomerates and less of what we need for our democracy. Disguising these types of programs as fair and balanced news is a disservice to our country, and misleads the public.

Sinclair's behavior show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. The public outrage resulting from this should make the FCC aware of the concern this country has over partisan monopolies controlling the airwaves. Thank you.